

7 May 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller

SUBJECT : Report of Cable Secretariat Operations
1 - 30 April 19681. Cables Processed

A. The combined work units of CIA and non-CIA cables totaled 63,356 items broken down as follows:

CIA IN	19,724
CIA OUT	8,322
Miscellaneous (including Archives 800)	4,980
Non-CIA	<u>30,330</u>
Total	63,356

B. CIA IN and OUT cables totaled 112,690 for 1 January - 30 April 1968, a decrease of 8% over the same period in 1967 (121,528) and 11% more than the same period in 1963 (99,994).

C. Non-CIA cables for 1 January - 30 April 1968 totaled 119,596, an increase of 14% more than the same period in 1967 (105,080) and 100% more than the same period in 1963 (59,595).

D. Work units totaled 252,040 for 1 January - 30 April 1968 which is 2% more than the same period in 1967 (247,571) and 41% more than the same period in 1963 (178,562).

E. 2,514 cables or 4% of all cables processed were furnished to the Director, as compared to 2,155 or 3.5% for March 1968.

2. Personnel

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Last month we lost two persons: one to enter private business and one to go on military duty for six months. This leaves our strength at three persons short of our T/O of

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3. General

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On 6 March 1968, our courier, on a routine pickup from Navy ComCen in the Pentagon, was told that CIA would no longer be included in the automatic distribution of Naval messages. No reason was given for the cut off. Thru efforts of [REDACTED] IRS/Liaison Staff, we learned that a CNO order had effected a cut off of automatic dissemination to all outside activities and established a new procedure which provided for outside activities to receive Naval messages as determined on an individual basis by the Naval Office assigned action responsibility for the message. Shortly thereafter, we began again to receive Naval messages; but they were several days old by the time we received them. On 18 April we visited the appropriate officers in Navy and left an updated list of CIA requirements with Commander Ettner, OP 92, with a request that he consider placing CIA back on automatic distribution. On 26 April Lt. Porter advised us that the Navy ComCen had been authorized to place CIA back on automatic distribution for a number of subjects on our list. These constitute essentially what we had been receiving prior to the CNO order. We are now receiving Naval messages on a current basis and consider the matter resolved.

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